

May 20, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.

President of the Senate
H-107 State House
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed Senate Bill 173 – *Baltimore City Police Department Death Relief Fund – Procedures and Benefit Amount*.

This bill alters the amount of the benefit payable from the Baltimore City Police Department Death Relief Fund because of the death of an officer or a civilian employee under specified circumstances. It changes specified references to the rank of “captain” to the rank of “deputy major.”

House Bill 226, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 173.

Sincerely,

Governor